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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

REF: STATE 188960, AUGUST 11, 1975; COPENHAGEN 2339

1. THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS), NOAA, COMMERCE APOLOGIZES FOR THE DELAY IN RESPONDING TO COPENHAGEN'S REQUEST OF FEBRUARY 11 (CONSULATE'S LETTER OF FEBRUARY 2). IT WAS DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN RELIABLE INFORMATION ON PENN BAY FISHERIES SINCE THE COMPANY WENT BANKRUPT ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO. MR. BRUCE SAUNDERS, THE LAST OWNER OF PENN BAY FISHERIES, APPARENTLY HAS SOLD OUT TO THE STINSON CANNING COMPANY; PROSPECT HARBOR, MAINE 04669; (TELEPHONE-207-963-5565).

2. FOR YOUR INFORMATION. SAUNDERS WAS THE MANAGER OF THE ROCKLAND SHRIMP PLANT CO. WHICH WAS THE SUCCESSOR
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TO THE NATIONAL SEA PRODUCTS COMPANY OF ROCKLAND, MAINE. (THE LATTER WAS A CANADIAN CORPORATION WHICH DISCONTINUED ITS U.S. OPERATIONS IN THE EARLY 1970S.) SAUNDERS HAD GREAT HOPES TO DEVELOP THE SHRIMP PROCESSING OPERATIONS, BUT WAS FACED WITH AN UNEXPECTED DECLINE OF THE GULF OF MAINE SHRIMP STOCKS. AS A RESULT, THE PLANT COULD NOT BE ADEQUATELY SUPPLIED WITH

SHRIMP AND THE COMPANY DECLARED BANKRUPTCY IN 1975. SAUNDERS BECAME THE NEW OWNER AND, TOGETHER WITH PINE STATE BY-PRODUCTS COMPANY OF PORTLAND, MAINE (WHICH HAS EXTENSIVE CONTACTS WITH WEST GERMAN HERRING IMPORTERS) WENT INTO THE HERRING MARKET. IT WAS RUMORED THAT SAUNDERS HAD ORDERED SEVERAL HERRING FILLETING LINES FROM WEST GERMANY TO EXPAND THE PRODUCTION OF FROZEN HERRING FOR THE WEST GERMAN MARKET. THE MACHINERY, HOWEVER, NEVER ARRIVED AND SAUNDERS DECLARED BANKRUPTCY.

3. IT HAS BEEN RELIABLY REPORTED THAT STINSON NOW HAS NINE FILLETING LINES ON ORDER FROM WEST GERMANY AND WILL EXPAND HERRING PRODUCTION. STINSON IS A COMPANY WITH A GOOD REPUTATION AND DOING WELL FINANCIALLY (SEE REFTTEL). HE AND HIS ASSISTANT, DIETER SCHNAUCK, ARE WELL KNOWN TO THE CONSULATE AND PROBABLY TO EUROTRADE AS WELL.

4. NMFS SUGGESTS THAT THE CONSULATE GENERAL INFORM EUROTRADE OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS AND SUGGEST THAT THEY MAY WANT TO PASS ON THE CLAIM TO THE STINSON CANNING COMPANY.

5. NMFS HAS NOT DISCUSSED THIS MATTER WITH THE STINSON CANNING COMPANY BUT WOULD BE HAPPY TO DO SO IF CONSULATE GENERAL REQUESTS.

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6. THE REQUEST FOR THE NMFS PUBLICATION COULD ALSO NOT BE TRACED, BUT ON APRIL 26, NMFS SENT BREMEN VIA POUCH ONE COPY OF THE "MARINE FISHERIES PROGRAM FOR THE NATION," FOLLOWED BY ADDITIONAL 3 COPIES ON APRIL 28.

7. THE CORRECT ADDRESS FOR LETTER INQUIRIES FROM WEST EUROPEAN POSTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES ANALYSIS BRANCH IS:

MR. MATTEO MILAZZO (F411)
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MR. MILAZZO JOINED THE BRANCH AS THE WEST EUROPEAN FISHERIES SPECIALIST ON FEBRUARY 22, 1977, REPLACING MR. RAY ARNAUDO. CHRISTOPHER

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